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## REPLY TO OFFICE COMMUNICATION

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Communication of March 20, 2009 in connection with the above-referenced patent application. In the Office Communication, the Examiner indicated that the Information Disclosure Statement ("IDS") filed on March 11, 2009 was not considered, because it did not include the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.17(p).

Applicant disagrees. In the IDS filed on March 11, 2009, the Patent Office was authorized to charge any deficiency in fees to Deposit Account No. 50-1935. Therefore, the Patent Office should have considered the references listed in the IDS. Applicant respectfully requests that the Patent Office do so.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee deficiencies or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-1935.

Respectfully submitted,
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